House Amendment 8189

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Amend House File 2440 as follows:
      2 <u>#1.</u> Page 1, by inserting before line 1, the
      3 following:
             <Section 1.
                              Section 147.136, Code 2003, is amended
      5 to read as follows:
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             147.136 SCOPE OF RECOVERY.
             In an action for damages for personal injury
      8 against a physician and surgeon, osteopath,
      9 osteopathic physician and surgeon, dentist, podiatric
     10 physician, optometrist, pharmacist, chiropractor, or 11 nurse licensed to practice that profession in this
  1 12 state, or against a hospital licensed for operation in 1 13 this state, based on the alleged negligence of the 1 14 practitioner in the practice of the profession or
     15 occupation, or upon the alleged negligence of the
     16 hospital in patient care, in which liability is
17 admitted or established, the damages awarded shall not
18 include actual economic losses incurred or to be
  1 19 incurred in the future by the claimant by reason of
     20 the personal injury, including but not limited to, the
     21 cost of reasonable and necessary medical care,
  1 22 rehabilitation services, and custodial care, and the
     23 loss of services and loss of earned income, to the
     24 extent that those losses are replaced or are
  1 25 indemnified by insurance, or by governmental,
     26 employment, or service benefit programs or from any
     27 other source except the assets of the claimant or of
  1 28 the members of the claimant's immediate family.
  1 29 However, this section shall not bar recovery of such
1 30 economic losses to the extent those losses are
1 31 replaced or indemnified by any benefits provided by an
     32 employer through a qualified self=funded health
      33 benefit plan, workers' compensation plan, or Medicaid,
  1 34 Medicare, or other governmental benefit program.>
1 35 #2. Title page, line 1, by striking the words
1 36 <awards of noneconomic damages against>.
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